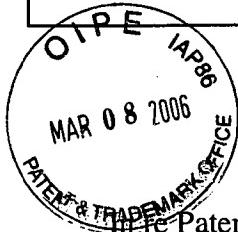


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Docket No. 146712016800

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THE Patent Application of:  
Jeffry A. LEBLANC et al.

Serial No.: 10/602,471

Filing Date: June 23, 2003

For: HYDRAULIC COMPENSATION FOR  
MAGNETICALLY BIASED FLUID  
DYNAMIC BEARING MOTOR

Examiner: J. Krause

Group Art Unit: 3682

### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 & 1.98

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a/b. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

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#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	0.00
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#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

50    25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200    100

Multiple dependent claims

360    180

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